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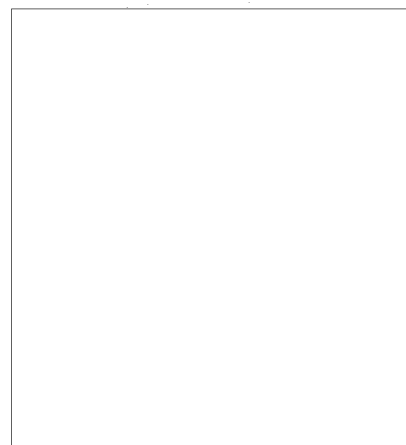
Meeting with Deputy Secretary of State

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26 June 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Luncheon Meeting with Deputy Secretary of State Whitehead,
Michael Armacost, Mort Abramowitz, Clair George and
Dick Kerr, Friday, 27 June, 1230, at State Department

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TAB A Qadhafi's 11 June Speech. You may want to discuss ways of using the
speech to keep the pressure on Qadhafi. You may want to mention that
Helene Boatner's new Office [redacted]

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[redacted] At Tab A is Graham Fuller's paper on the speech.

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LIBYA - Possibilities for Our Aggressive Use of Qadhafi's
11 June 1986 Television Address

1. The April US raid on Libya and subsequent events have brought Qadhafi to the lowest point--domestically and internationally--since his revolution of 1 September 1969. It is essential that we keep the pressure on him at this point, and not let him off the hook. We must not allow him to recover his poise, and employ his still considerable charisma and economic resources to regain his stature in Libya and in the world community.

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In terms of immediate action, however, I suggest that Qadhafi's televised speech of 11 June 1986 provides a wealth of raw material on which to base propaganda campaigns, diplomatic initiatives, and other actions designed to isolate and denigrate Qadhafi, and to encourage further actions against him by key countries in Western Europe and the Middle East.

3. Qadhafi's recent speech was wild, emotional, disjointed and--at times--almost incoherent. In total, it was a virtual catalog of psychological warfare themes that we should be able to exploit effectively. At a minimum, we should ensure the widest possible distribution of the speech--both the written text and the TV tape. State and the White House Press Office should make the text and tape available to a wide audience in this country--including the press, the public, and the Congress. The Agency and State should disseminate the text to political and diplomatic contacts and to liaison services abroad.

4. Following are excerpts of the speech which seem to indicate that Qadhafi may be becoming irrational and mentally unstable. This aspect of his personality should be emphasized whenever possible to counter arguments that we should negotiate or "reason" with him.

-- "We shall present a file on Reagan, we are preparing the documents now. He cannot dispute that he was in the Gestapo, cooperated with Hitler, and participated in killing thousands of Jews. Then in order to conceal this past he went to Hollywood as an actor to represent the Israeli intelligence and he was a Mossad agent at the time."

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- "As I have told you, they (the Americans) prepared 33 planes; only eight of them remained safe. The others, thanks be to my God who sent soldiers you could not see, fell in squadrons as they came from the sea."

5. Qadhafi made a number of wild economic threats and statements in his speech. These statements should be repeated back, again and again, to him and the Libyan people. They are natural themes to be turned against him by the Libyan opposition, and established as a standard against which to measure his own performance.

- "We must decide to deprive Western Europe, Japan, and the United States and severely punish them so as to bring them to their knees . . . We have stopped selling them anything. Even the oil. To hell with them, we must not sell it."
- "Billions are earned from Libya by Italian companies. They will be deprived of them. France will be deprived. The NATO West will be deprived. Japan will be deprived. From now on, any Libyan who wears clothes made in Japan, Western Europe, or the United States will be wearing the shroud of our martyred sons . . ."
- "On the other hand I propose to you barter . . . As to money, we no longer need it . . . If you have printed paper from a bank, it is no longer worth anything."

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6. The following--rather incredible--comment should be widely replayed in every possible forum to generate a maximum of revulsion with Qadhafi.

- "When the United States lands on the coast it should be burned; its soldiers should become roasted sheep--and eating them afterward is permitted."

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7. Following are some of the more noteworthy Qadhafi quotes on Europe, and comments regarding possible utilization of them in diplomatic and/or covert action:

- ". . . the immoral stand of the whore Thatcher."
- "Italy . . . Spain, France, and Britain knew what the US planes were aiming to do. These people have got no morals . . . We despise them and we consider that they have no morals."
- "Germany gave the Israelis compensation . . . Nazi Germany never did it; it was the contemporary new Germany which compensated the Jews, the Israelis. It was Germany which helped them to gain strength."
- "Italy, the Italian state, wants to eliminate the Sicilian people and the peoples of Lampedusa and Pantellaria because those islands are Arab islands and oppressed. That is the cause of the separatist movements in those islands, where there are indeed persecuted people."
- "Ceuta and Melilla are a shame. The Moroccan youth should rise up in a revolution in Ceuta and Melilla to liberate them from the Spaniards, who allied themselves against us."

These, and similar quotes from Qadhafi, should be as widely publicized as possible in the countries concerned. Personal insults to European leaders and active calls for separatism and insurrection should be widely played in the European press. Whenever possible, European journalists should get public statements of reaction from the European leaders. Questions should be raised on the need to maintain diplomatic relations with a leader who is so personally insulting, and whose actions fall so far outside the bounds of acceptable international behavior. Stress should be put on the fact that these are the words of Qadhafi himself--not some young and irresponsible "revolutionary" representative or student.

8. This speech would appear to indicate that Qadhafi is his own worst enemy. The press coverage given to the speech in the US (and, I suspect, in Europe) has been greatly watered down. It would be to our benefit to ensure that all potential audiences, here and abroad, understand the language--and the mentality--of Qadhafi, in his own words.

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